

REMARKS

Fig. 1 of the drawings has been corrected in red, and the proposed corrections are submitted to the PTO under a separate transmittal letter entitled "Submission of Proposed Drawing Amendment For Approval by Examiner (37 C.F.R. § 1.123)." It is believed that no new matter has been added to the drawings and that the proposed drawing corrections are supported by the specification.

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Claim 15 was previously rejected in the parent case. Claim 15 calls for distinct receiving means differing from that described by Nysen et al. Thus, in claim 15, the receiving means is defined as employing coherent detection. In Nysen et al., the received signal comprises a series of different frequencies; and when received by an interrogated craft, and in signal transformer 22, the discretely different frequencies are discretely delayed and a version of each of the series retransmitted back to the transmitting station. Clearly, there is no coherent detection as the interrogated craft has no information as to the time of transmission as required by claim 15. The summation provided by bus bar 60 and 62 of Nysen et al. is not with respect to a plurality of coherent detected signals as these bus bars sum deliberately time varied received signals for a time varied configuration of received signals. Clearly, this differs from the integration called for by claim 15.

As to the character of propagation contemplated by claim 15, it is contemplated to be electromagnetic or sonic.

Claim 17 specifies that the medium (of claim 15) is liquid, and in such a medium, propagation could be via either electromagnetic radiation or sonic, particularly if the liquid was a low conductivity type liquid. In the case of salt water, of course, it is contemplated that propagation be only sonic. It

is believed allowable for the reasons set forth above with respect to claim 15.

Claim 18, which is dependent upon claim 16, is in turn dependent upon claim 15. Propagation could be either via electromagnetic or sonic where the liquid is of low conductivity; otherwise, it needs to be sonic.

With respect to claims 21 and 22, Maher Patent No. 4,128,299, previously cited, discloses various systems for modulating light passing through an optical wave guide including the application of an electrical field across the optical wave guide wherein there is produced a variation in the index of refraction from the application of the field. It is significant that this produces amplitude modulation. In applicant's system, there are, in effect, combined optical and non-optical wave guides, the latter being imposed across the former. This is manifest in that the structure is elongated. Thus, it is long with respect to its thickness, e.g., a thickness of 2 mm and a length of 1 meter, or 1,000 mm. Further, as described in the specification and ~~the~~ claims, the presence of the electrical (as opposed to optical) outer wave guide is emphasized by the feature of applying a modulating signal to one end of the wave guide structure, in this case, the optical exiting end. This feature is not taught or suggested by Maher. The significance of this is that the configuration enables frequency, as opposed to amplitude, modulation, a function not disclosed by Maher. Such occurs by virtue of the traveling wave transversing the outer wave guide from its exit end to its entrance end.

Claims 23 and 24 (allowed in the parent case) have been added to more particularly define the antenna of claims 12 and 15.

Added claim 25 contains the limitations of claims 29 (as allowed in the parent case). It is to be noted that while it is true that the input of grid circuit of a thyatron includes electrical resistance, this is in the input of a switching means, whereas as now provided in claim 25, the resistance is between the switching means and the antenna. Thus, differing from that illustrated by the Cook reference (J.C. Cook, Monocycle Radar Pulses As Environmental Probes, NASA Scientific and Technical Information Facility, August 1965; PUP No. N6880367, pages 22--31). In the case of Pender et al. (Electrical Engineer's Handbook, "Thyatron and Grid Control Circuits", pps. 16-08 - 16-12; John Wylie and Sons, New York; 1936), the resistance, being in the input of the thyatron, is clearly not between the switching means and whatever output circuit to which it is connected. None of the Pender et al. circuits illustrate a resistor connected between the load and the thyatron.

Added claims 26-28 are dependent upon claim 25 and are believed allowable, as was claim 29 in the parent case.

Added claims 29-33 correspond to allowed claims 30-34 in the parent case.

Added claim 34 provides for a monocyclic transmitter which transmits at a changing rate and responsive to selected electrical volages, a combination not taught by the prior art. This claim (claim 35 in the parent case) originally lacked the

article "one" and was originally rejected on this basis. In addition, the original claim has been elaborated on to make clear the basic operating mode of the invention with the effect that antenna operates to transmit responsive to electrical voltage.

Added claims 35-38 (claims 36-39 in the parent case) are dependent on claim 34, and as such are deemed allowable based upon the addition of the missing article.

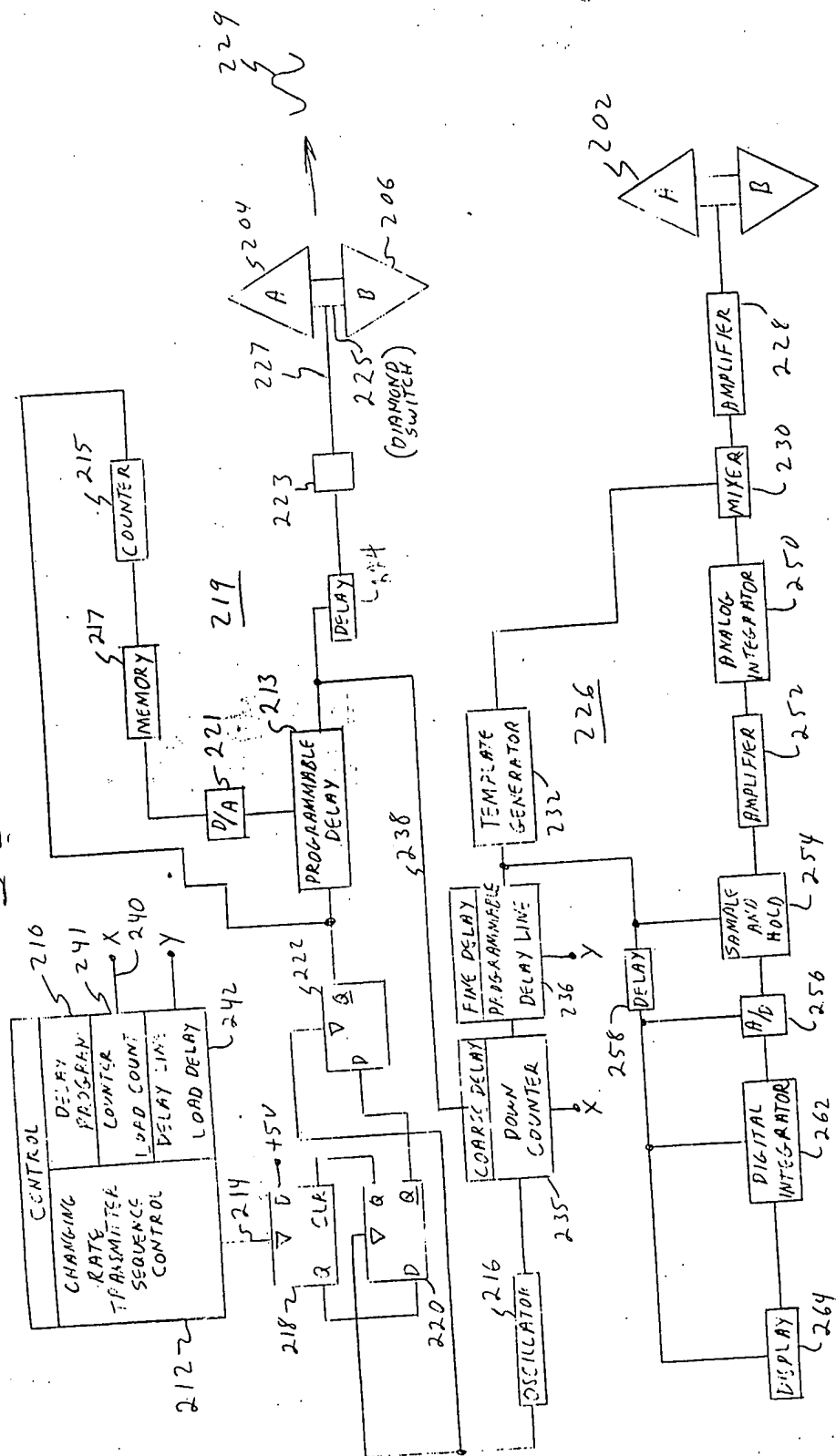
Applicant encloses a check for \$268.00 for the additional filing fee for the claims added herein, said check being attached to PTO Form 3.52.

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